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FOLLOWING REPEAT BUENOS AIRES 4047 ACTION SECSTATE BRASILIA  
RIO DE JANEIRO INFO BONN EC BRUSSELS SANTIAGO JUL 16

QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L BUENOS AIRES 4047

ALSO FOR ERDA; NRC; USDOC

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: TECH, ENRG, PARM, GW, BR  
SUBJECT: BRAZIL/FRG NUCLEAR ACCORD

REF: BRASILIA 4641 (NOTAL)

1. S&T COUNSELOR/ERDA SCIREP WILCOX HAPPENED BY CHANCE TO  
ENCOUNTER BRAZILIAN CNEN MEMBER REX N. ALVES IN HOTEL LOBBY  
IN SANTIAGO ON JUNE 10. ALVES WELL KNOWN TO WILCOX AS  
PREVIOUS HEAD CNEN DOSIMETREY LAB WHEN WILCOX POSTED IN RIO  
AS AEC SCIREP. ALVES WAS TRAVELLING AS MEMBER WSCOLA  
SUPERIOR DE GUERRA CLASS AND VISITING NUCLEAR AND OTHER  
FACILITIES ARGENTINA AND CHILE.

2. WHEN SUBJECT OF FRG/BRAZIL ACCORD CAME UP, ALVES CLAIMED  
IGNORANCE OF RECENT NEGOTIATIONS (HE HAD LEFT RIO IN LATE  
MAY) BUT DID MINIMIZE ITS IMPORTANCE. HE SEEMED THINK, IN  
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FACT, THAT PERHAPS ONLY ONE REACTOR WOULD BE PURCHASED

AND THAT THERE WAS GOOD LIKELIHOOD 3RD REACTOR IN BRAZIL  
MIGHT BE GENERAL ATOMIC HTGR\*

3. COMMENT: WE RECOGNIZE THAT ALVES AS CNEN MEMBER MAY  
NOT NECESSARILY REFLECT THINKING OF THOSE WHO ARE  
CALLING SHOTS ON SUCH MATTERS IN BRAZIL TODAY. NONE-  
THELESS, HE IS VERY CLOSE TO DE CARVALHO AND SHOULD BE  
AWARE OF TREND OF DEVELOPMENTS AT NUCLEBRAS AS WELL.  
WILCOX ALSO SENSES, FROM RECENT CONTACTS IN WASHINGTON,  
THAT AGREEMENT WILL BE BILATERAL-TYPE UMBRELLA ONLY  
AND THAT MUCH HARD NEGOTIATION REMAINS AHEAD ON EACH  
AND EVERY SPECIFIC PROJECT REACTOR(S); ENRICHMENT PLANT;  
CHEM PROCESSING PLANT, ETC. THAT SUCH NEGOTIATIONS WILL  
BE SUCCESSFUL IS NO FOREGONE CONCLUSION WHATSOEVER  
(AT LEAST IN OUR VIEW) AND BOTH USG AND U.S. SUPPLIERS  
WOULD, WE THINK, BE WELL ADVISED TO KEEP THEIR EAR TO  
THE GROUND FOR POSSIBLE OPENINGS AS TIME GOES BY. AS  
ACTING ARGENTINE CNEA PRESIDENT BANCORA PUT IT IN  
RECENT VERY GENERAL DISCUSSION RE THE JET NOZZLE-TYPE  
ENRICHMENT PLANT, AND THINKING PROBABLY OF ATUCHA I ALSO,  
IT SEEMS THAT THE GERMANS HAVE BECOME AWFULLY GOOD  
AT SELLING UNPROVEN THINGS ABROAD WHICH THEY THEMSELVES  
WOULD NOT BUILD AT HOME.  
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